Tyringham Conservation Commission

Town Hall, 116 Main Rd., Tyringham 7:00 PM, May 14, 2014

In Attendance: Matt Puntin, Mike McCauley, Bill Dillof, Noah Choquette, Peter Schaefer, Craig DeSantis, Mimi Crandall

Previous Minutes were approved. Mail was read.

Matt Puntin began the meeting with a brief introduction, which also explains the process of the Commission.

- 1) Larry Bravo- Has an Order of Conditions which is dated June 2012. It is valid until June 2015. Larry was asking if this has to be renewed at that time. The Commissions' answer was yes it should be renewed a few months before it is due to expire.
- 2) RDA Cooper Creek Athletic Homeowner's Association Matt Puntin read the RDA to the Commission. Craig DeSantis and Peter Schaefer are on a committee that is looking at improving existing drainage at the recreation area for the Association. Craig DeSantis explained the scope of work which is to bring the area back to preexisting conditions. And to take measures to prevent erosion. The work would redirect water that has changed course back to the original course. There is a driveway that has runoff that is affecting the area and will need to be addressed as well.

However, the Association wants to review the project and the committee has spoken to two contractors who are advising another plan of drainage and redirection of the water. Peter Schaefer explained to the commission what the contractors are suggesting, using the map on file to show a possibly different plan.

There was discussion concerning the changed request. But the area in question will require a site visit to determine if there are wetlands involved. The RDA could be continued and a map submitted showing the original proposal as well as the new proposal. The Commission stated that no trees could be cut. Small machinery would be acceptable. Matt explained the Determination process to Peter Schaefer and Craig DeSantis. The members will have time to visit the site before the next regular meeting which will be June 11, 2014.

Matt Puntin made a motion to continue the hearing to the next regular meeting on June 11, 2014. Noah Choquette seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor.

3) Matt will be meeting Becky Ferguson of the Trustees of Reservations, who would like to put a bridge over the brook on Sodom Road. They will meet on May 25, 2014 at 9:00 AM.

Meeting Adjourned, 7:45 PM Respectfully submitted, Mimi Crandall, Clerk